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1. The airfield was located west of MOSCOW, south or southwest of TUSHINO and the Pw camp, and directly south of an E-W road.
2. Two hangar groups with about 15 aircraft were in the north-east section of the field and patches of woods in the south-west section.
3. Group parachuting was observed from about 20 formations of twin-engine aircraft, each flying with about 10 planes. Group of about 10 parachutists jumped from each plane. An estimated total of 1,000 to 2,000 paratroopers (all with double, equally large, parachutes) practiced jumping for half an hour.
4. [redacted] generals and high-ranking officers who had inspected the aircraft engine plant before were present at the field on the day the parachuting was practiced.

Comment:

a. The observation of only 15 aircraft at the TUSHINO airfield was made once from outside the field, but all previous reports said far more planes were stationed there. The information on the observed parachuting is credible.

b. The mention of the inspection of the TUSHINO Zavod 500 Aircraft Engine Plant by high-ranking Soviet officers (para 4) is considered noteworthy. According to three previous reports, * this plant seems to be of special importance for the development and mass production of new engines and recently of power plants also.

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